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TAGS: CSCE, PFOR, PARM, UR, SZ

SUBJECT: CSCE: CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES

1. IN BILATERAL MEETING ON APRIL 7 REQUESTED BY SOVIETS, US REP MADE CLEAR TO SOVIETS THAT ALLIES IN GENEVA ARE NOT REPEAT NOT YET PREPARED TO TAKE MAJOR STEP OF ACCEPTANCE IN PRINCIPLE OF VOLUNTARY BASIS FOR MANEUVER CBM. AT MOST DELOFF SAID ALLIES ARE PRESENTLY ONLY WILLING TO CONSIDER OR STUDY THE CONCEPT OF VOLUNTARY BASIS IN PARALLEL WITH WORK ON MANEUVER PARAMETERS, AND THAT ALLIES ARE INCLINED TO WITHHOLD AGREEMENT ON VOLUNTARY BASIS UNTIL THEY HAVE RECIVED FURTHER ASSURANCES OF SOVIET FLEXIBILITY ON PARAMETERS, IN PARTICULAR AREA OF APPLICATION. (NOTE: WE EXPECT THAT AN ALLIED EMISSARY PROBABLY UK, WILL APPRISE SOVIETS OF THIS JOINT VIEW IN A MORE FORMAL WAY ON BEHALF OF ALLIED CAUCUS ON APRIL 9.)

2. SOVIET REPS ASKED IN WHAT MANNER US THOUGHT THEY SHOULD MOVE ON ISSUE OF AREA APPLICATION SO AS TO PROMOTE SOLUTION OF PROBLEM. THEY POINTED OUT TWO SEPARATE ASPECTS OF ISSUE: DESIRE OF SOME DELS TO DO AWAY WITH CONCEPT OF BORDER ZONES, EXCEPT IN USSR; AND DESIRE OF THESE DELS TO EXPAND ZONE OF APPLICATION IN USSR ITSELF. DELOFF VENTURED PERSONAL VIEW THAT CLEAR SOVIET ACCEPTANCE IN PRINICPLE OF APPLICATION OF MANEUVER CBM IN ALL OF EUROPE, WITH EXCEPTION OF PORTIONS OF TERRITORY OF EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

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BORDERING OTHER CONTINENTS, WOULD CONSIDERABLY ACCELERATE

PROCESS OF ACCEPTANCE OF PRINCIPLE OF VOLUNTARINESS. DELOFF  
ALSO SUGGESTED THAT EVEN AN INFORMAL INDICATION OF MOVE POSITIVE  
SOVIET POSITION ON AREA OF APPLICATION WOULD HELP TO BRING  
ABOUT EARLIER CONSENSUS ON VOLUNTARINESS AMONG NATO ALLIES.

3. SOVIETS PROMISED PROMPT REPLY, POSSIBLY AS EARLY AS  
APRIL 10. ABRAMS

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